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Vienna, December 17. *N. S.*

HIS Imperial Majeſty hath writ a Letter to the Czar, complaining that Prince Menzikoff had, without Cauſe, exacted great Sums of Money of the Cities of Hamburgh and Lubec, that he had forced the People of the Country of Mecklenbourg, by Military Execution, to bring in Proviſions to his Camp before Stetin, which the Town of Malchin refuſing, had been Storm'd and Plunder'd by his Direction. His Majeſty adds, that as Head of the Empire, he thought himſelf obliged to make this Remonſtrance, and to employ his good Offices to procure Satisfaction for thoſe that had been Injur'd; and he was perſuaded, from the Knowledge he had of the Czar's Goodneſs and Juſtice, that he would order Reſtitution to be made accordingly, and prevent the like Violences for the time to come. On the 12th Cardinal Schrottenback, Biſhop of Olmutz, took the uſual Oath for the Employment of Counſellor of State. The 13th being the Birth-day of the Arch-Dutcheſs Elizabeth, was celebrated with great Magnificence, and the Court upon that occaſion laid aſide their Mourning for the Death of the Great Prince of Tuſcany. We are inform'd, that the Electoral Prince of Saxony is arrived at Inſpruck, in his way from Italy to this Place, and from hence he intends to ſet out for Dreſden, in order to meet King Auguſtus his Father, who is expected there in a ſhort time. The Council of War hath received advice from Hungary, that the Turks were adding ſeveral new Works to the Fortifications at Temiſwaer, which hath given ſome Uneaſineſs to our Court. Letters from Valachia bring an account, that the Port perſiſted in the Demand of an Annual Penſion for the Han of Tartary, and that the Muſcovite Ambaſſadors had writ to the Czar to perſuade him to conſent to it. They write from Adrianople, that the Grand Signior had fix'd on the 18th of November for his removal to Conſtantinople, that he had order'd the Poliſh Miniſters to follow him thither, that he had been ſeveral times in Conference with the King of Sweden, and had promis'd to ſend him with a powerful Army into his own Dominions.

Madrid, December 18. *N. S.* The King hath order'd the Council of Caſtile, for the greater Diſpatch of Buſineſs, to meet nine Hours every Day for the future. The Duke de Medina Sidonia, Counſellor of State, Maſter of the Horſe, and Knight of the Order of the Holy Ghoſt, died lately in the Seventy third Year of his Age. They write from Valentia, that eight Squadrons, and as many Battalions, had been order'd to march towards Tortoſa, where they are to wait for Directions from the Duke de Popoli. Letters from Catalonia bring an Account, that the Inhabitants of Barcelona were reduced to great Extremity for want of Proviſions, which had occaſion'd a Tumult among them. The ſame Advices add, that the Preparations for the Siege of that Place were continued with great Diligence, and that it would be form'd immediately after the arrival of the Troops from Eſtramadura, and of the Fleet from Cadiz.

Dreſden, December 19. *N. S.* We have received Advice from Warſaw, that King Auguſtus intended to ſet out from thence on the 16th, in order to return to this Electorate; that he would be follow'd by ſeveral of the Poliſh Miniſters, and by the Plenipotentiaries appointed to aſſiſt on the Part of the Republick, at the Congreſs at Brunſwick. The Electoral Prince is likewiſe expected here very ſoon from Vienna, where he intends to ſtop for a ſhort time in his way from Italy. We have received an Account from Petersbourg of an Action that happen'd lately between the Swedes and the Muſcovites in Finland. The Swedes having thrown their Cannon into the River, abandon'd Tavaſthuys, and retired to a Poſt on the ſide the Pelkin, where they entrench'd themſelves, and erected Batteries. The Muſcovites follow'd them, but finding it difficult to paſs the River, encamped over againſt them, and prepared Pontoons, upon which Prince Galizen embark'd with Six thouſand Men, and attack'd the Enemy, who for ſome time made a vigorous Reſiſtance, but being obliged at laſt

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